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together in the same way protection is afforded to family members who reside in different households. For this reason, I seek your support for LB 504 and move its advancement to Select File.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Connealy. Discussion on LB 504. Senator Connealy, there is no discussion. You are recognized to close. He waives closing. The question is the advancement to E & R Initial of LB 504. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, please.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 504.

SENATOR CROSBY: The bill advances.

CLERK: Mr. President, Madam President, excuse me, LB 864 offered by Senator Dwite Pedersen. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 20, referred to the Transportation Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments, at this time, to the bill, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Dwite Pedersen, you're recognized to open on LB 864.

SENATOR DW. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. At the present time, Nebraska statute, in 60-6,196, states that it shall be unlawful for any person to operate or be in the actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic liquor or any drugs. The language offered in LB 864 clarifies that any person who chooses to drive while under the influence of alcohol or while under the influence of any drug or drugs, or while under the influence of any combination of alcohol and drugs will be in violation of our laws against driving under the influence. The Legislature has long recognized the danger of driving under the influence of alcohol as well as the danger of driving under the influence of drugs. This legislation does nothing more than clarify that anyone who chooses to ingest alcohol and any combination of drugs to the point that they become a hazard to the law-abiding drivers of this state will also be subject to prosecution. If you have any questions I would be glad to try and answer them